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Representative Barto, Senator Waring: Representatives Bradley, Lesko,
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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEM TASK FORCE.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Behavioral health delivery system task force:
3 duties: report

4 A. The behavioral health delivery system task force is established
5 consisting of the following members:

6 1. Four members of the house of representatives who are appointed by
7 the speaker of the house of representatives, not more than two of whom are
8 members of the same political party. The speaker of the house of
9 representatives shall designate one of these members to serve as
10 cochairperson of the task force.

11 2. Four members of the senate who are appointed by the president of
12 the senate, not more than two of whom are members of the same political
13 party. The president of the senate shall designate one of these members to
14 serve as cochairperson of the task force.

15 3. The deputy director of the division of behavioral health services
16 in the department of health services.

17 4. The deputy director of the division for children, youth and
18 families in the department of economic security.

19 5. The deputy director of the Arizona health care cost containment
20 system administration.

21 6. A chief probation officer of the superior court who is appointed by
22 the president of the senate.

23 7. A chief probation officer of the juvenile court who is appointed by
24 the speaker of the house of representatives.

25 8. The director of a health plan that contracts with the Arizona
26 health care cost containment system administration who is appointed by the
27 president of the senate.

28 9. One representative of a regional behavioral health authority who is
29 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

30 10. One representative of a regional behavioral health authority that
31 serves the Native American community who is appointed by the president of the
32 senate.

33 11. The president or chief executive officer of a hospital that is
34 located in this state and that is a member of a statewide hospital
35 organization who is appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

36 12. One representative of a behavioral health advocacy organization who
37 is appointed by the president of the senate.

38 13. One community member at large who is appointed by the speaker of
39 the house of representatives.

40 14. One representative of a statewide taxpayer advocacy organization
41 who is appointed by the president of the senate.

42 B. Task force members are not eligible to receive compensation but are
43 eligible for reimbursement of expenses pursuant to title 38, chapter 4,
44 article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes.

1 C. The task force shall:

2 1. Examine, review and assess the current behavioral health delivery
3 system in Arizona for:

4 (a) Timely and appropriate services.

5 (b) Financial efficiencies in the system.

6 (c) Delivery system design.

7 (d) Delivery system evaluation.

8 2. Submit a preliminary written report on or before December 15, 2009,
9 and a final written report on or before December 15, 2010, of its findings to
10 the governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of
11 representatives and provide a copy of this report to the secretary of state
12 and the director of the Arizona state library, archives and public records.

13 D. The joint legislative budget committee, the house of
14 representatives and the senate shall staff the task force.

15 Sec. 2. Delayed repeal

16 This act is repealed from and after September 30, 2011.